least of It) remarkable, considering his previous utterances on the subject.[1]

Accordingly, on January 30th, Halleck telegraphed Grant[2] to make his preparations to take and hold Fort Henry, and, the same day, he sent him detailed instructions in writing. "With this expedition the campaign of 1862 opened in Kentucky.

[1] General Buell, writing to McClellan under date of February r.st makes an amusing complaint of Halleck's precipitate change of mind. **He** says: —"While you were sick, by direction of the President, I proposed to Halleck some concert of action between us. He answered, * Z can do nothing; name a day for a demonstration.' Night before last I received a despatch from him, saying, * I have ordered an advance on Eort Henry and Dover, It will be made immediately.* I protest against such prompt proceedings, as though I had nothing to do but command * Commence firing * when he starts off." 7 W. R., 933.